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UNCLAIMED WINNING POWERBALL TICKETS

BISMARCK – The North Dakota Lottery is waiting for 10,470 winning tickets to be claimed, worth \$51,755 in prize money.

Chuck Keller, Director of North Dakota Lottery, urged players to compare the numbers on old tickets to the winning numbers, or have a retailer check the ticket through the lottery terminal. "Although the Powerball jackpot is the only advertised amount, for each draw there are several thousand other winning tickets," he said. "Even if it's not a jackpot winner, that old ticket may still be valuable."

There are eight other winning combinations of numbers, for prizes ranging from \$3 to \$100,000. For instance, matching just the Powerball number - the 6th number on a ticket – wins a prize. Even if the ticket does not match the Powerball number, if at least 3 of the first 5 numbers match, the ticket is a prize winner. The first 5 numbers do not have to be in the same order as they are drawn to win a prize.

Players have 180 days from the date of the draw to cash winning Powerball tickets. The tickets can be cashed at any lottery retailer or the Lottery's office (the address is printed on the back of the ticket). If ticket is for multiple draws and one of the draws results in a winning play, the player can still redeem the ticket to claim the prize. The retailer will simply reissue the ticket for the remaining purchased draws.

The winning numbers for all previous draws and other information on claiming a prize are on the North Dakota Lottery's web site at www.ndlottery.org.

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